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87-03-01-01. Definition of a veterinary technician. As used in this chapter, "veterinary technician" has the same meaning as "licensed veterinary technician" as defined in North Dakota Century Code section 43-29-01.1.

History: Effective October 1, 1981; amended effective November 1, 1991;

January 1, 1999.

General Authority: NDCC 43-29-09

Law Implemented: NDCC 43-29-07.1, 43-29-09

87-03-01-02. Requirements for certification as a veterinary technician. Certification as a veterinary technician requires a recommendation from a licensed veterinarian and a passing score on the national examination.

History: Effective October 1, 1981; amended effective November 1, 1991;

January 1, 1999.

General Authority: NDCC 43-29-09 Law Implemented: NDCC 43-29-07.1

87-03-01-03. Prerequisites for taking the certification examination. The minimum prerequisite for taking the examination for certification as a veterinary technician is graduation from a two-year veterinary technician training program.

History: Effective October 1, 1981; amended effective April 1, 1986; November 1,

1991.

General Authority: NDCC 43-29-09 **Law Implemented:** NDCC 43-29-07.1

87-03-01-04. Application for certification - Fees - Certificate renewal. Any person desiring certification as a veterinary technician shall make written application for certification to the executive secretary on forms provided for that purpose and shall pay in advance to the North Dakota board of veterinary medical examiners a fee of twenty-five dollars plus the cost of the national examination.

Fees are not returned, except by action of the board. If the certificate is granted, the technician shall pay a ten dollar annual renewal registration fee before December thirty-first. The renewal registration fee shall be paid by all certified technicians. The certificate will expire if the renewal registration fee is not paid before December thirty-first. A certificate may be renewed for two years after it expires by payment of the renewal registration fee and a delinquency fee. After two years after expiration, a new application for certification must be made.

History: Effective October 1, 1981; amended effective November 1, 1991;

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General Authority: NDCC 43-29-03, 43-29-09 **Law Implemented:** NDCC 43-29-07.1, 43-29-08.1

87-03-01-05. Educational program attendance required. Each veterinary technician, except as otherwise provided, shall receive eight hours of veterinary technician continuing education, approved by the board, in the twenty-four months preceding each even-year renewal date. Veterinary technician continuing education is defined as an educational program that will enhance the licenseholder's professional ability to serve the public and which has the prior approval of the board. No more than two hours may be from in-house training. If a licenseholder fails to receive the amount of continuing education necessary, a written notice must be sent and a six-month grace period will be allowed to make up the requirement. If, after six months, the requirements have not been met, the license will expire.

History: Effective January 1, 1999; amended effective August 1, 2004.

General Authority: NDCC 43-29-03, 43-29-07.3, 43-29-09

Law Implemented: NDCC 43-29-07.3, 43-29-08.1